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## SHIPPING

### ARRIVALS.

August 19, CHAOPO WATTANA, Siamese bark, 656 G. F. Ulrich, Bangkok 3rd August, General—CHINESE.

August 19, NEDDEN, Danish str., 963, Davidson, Newchwang and Chefoo 13th August, Hensel & Co.

August 19, GLISLAND, British steamer, 1,058, Robinson, Olton 10th August, Coal—ORDER.

August 20, NORDEEN, Norwegian steamer, 1,367, Nielsen, Nakatsu 13th August, Coal—MITSU BUNSEN KAISHA.

August 20, EMEERALDA, British steamer, 355, G. A. Taylor, Amy 19th August, General—RUSSELL & CO.

August 20, KUANG, British steamer, 1,425, Jackson, Whampoa 20th August, General—JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.

August 20, KUTTY, British barque, 863, Lance, Manila 10th August, Sugar and Hemp—CAPTAIN.

August 20, FUSHUN, Chinese steamer, 1,503, Croad, Shanghai 17th August, General—C. M. S. N. CO.

August 21, CANTON, British steamer, 1,110, Bremer, Shanghai 17th August, and Swatow 20th, General—JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.

August 21, DIAMANTE, British steamer, 514, McCashin, Manila 10th August, General—RUSSELL & CO.

August 21, SUSSEX, British steamer, 1,620, J. S. O'Callaghan, Saigon 17th August, Rice, Cotton, Fish, &c.—ADAMSON, BELL & CO.

August 21, THALIS, British steamer, 820, W. Y. Hunter, Tsimshau 17th August, Amy 19th, and Swatow 20th, General—DOUGLAS LAIRD & CO.

August 21, VESASIAN, British steamer, 1,220, Stevens, Swatow 20th August, General—ARNOLD, KARBERG & CO.

### CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOURMASTER'S OFFICE,  
20TH AUGUST.

Peking, British str., for Shang-hai.  
San Pablo, Amer. str., for Yokohama.  
Gulfie, British str., for Foochow.  
Mongkok, British str., Swatow.  
Soochow, British str., for Howkow.  
Wellmeyer, German str., for Saigon.  
Laju, British str., for Singapore.

### DEPARTURES.

August 20, CHINA, German str., for Saigon.  
August 20, TITAN, British str., for Amy.  
August 20, ANTONIO, British steamer, for Kutchinotzu.  
August 20, TANIAS, French steamer, for Singapore, &c.  
August 20, ASHINGTON, British str., for Cheddo.  
August 20, CARISBROOK, British str., for Nagasaki.  
August 20, LADY, British str., for London.  
August 20, MONGKUT, British str., for Bangkok.  
August 20, SAN PABLO, Amer. str., for S. F. C. I.  
August 20, VISAYAS, Spanish str., for Manila.  
August 21, GUETHE, British str., for Australia.  
August 21, SOOCHOW, British str., for Howkow.  
August 21, CANTON, British str., for Whampoa.

### PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

For Vesuvian, str., from Swatow.—15 Chinese.  
For Canton, str., from Shanghai, &c.—50 Chinese.

For Thales, str., from Taiwano, &c.—95 Chinese.

For Fushun, str., from Shanghai.—Mrs Mitchell, Mr. Thompson, and SS Chinese.

For Diamante, str., from Manila.—Mr. A. Moller, 4 sailors and 12 Chinese, deck.

DEPARTED.

Per San Pablo, str., for Yokohama.—Mr. M. Kuhn, 1 European and 1 Chinese. For San Francisco.—Mr. H. Stone, Mr. R. R. Ray, 5 Europeans and 200 Chinese. For Liverpool.—Mr. W. Harrison.

### REPORTS.

The Chinese steamer Fushun, from Shanghai 17th August, reports had fine weather throughout.

The Norwegian steamer Norden, from Nagasaki 13th August, reports had fine weather all the passage.

The British steamer Diamante, from Manila 16th August, reports had fine weather throughout, wind light and variable.

The British steamer Vesuvian, from Swatow 20th August, reports had fine, clear weather first part of the passage; rain squalls outside Hong-kong.

The British steamer Gilland, from Otaru 16th August, reports had strong head winds and sea from Korea to Korea Straits, then northward had light winds and smooth sea.

The Danish steamer Norden, from Newchwang 14th August, reports had moderate southerly winds and fine weather. From Swatow had light southerly winds and fine weather, changing to thick rainy weather near Hongkong.

The British steamer Vesuvia, from Saigon 17th August, reports experienced fine clear weather till 1st Aug., then heavy rains and variable winds, which experienced till right into Hongkong harbor, 10th Aug., and on the 14th instant passed a barque rigged steamer bound South, supposed her to be the Hawke.

The British steamer Thales, reports.—Left Taiwano 17th, Amy 18th, and Swatow 20th instant. From Taiwano to Amy had moderate northerly winds and fine weather. Amy to Swatow had moderate S.W. winds and fine weather. From Swatow had moderate S.W. winds and rain. Steamer at Amy, Chiayen.

At Swatow, Harbor and Seaford.

### S H I N G.

P. H. Q. O. G. R. A. P. H. E. R.,  
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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1887. [1275]

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Hongkong, January, 1887. [1271]

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## INTIMATIONS.

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AN ASSORTMENT OF  
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MANILA CIGARS,  
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CIGARETTES.

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Hongkong, 18th August, 1887. [126]

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Creation or Evolution, by G. T. Curtis.

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Daron Hubner's "Through the British Empire."

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Macintosh's China and Japan Trade Tables  
of Cost; Silk and Tea Sections with  
Telegraphic Codes.

Johnston's Royal Atlas of Modern  
Geography.

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NOTICE.

HONGKONG PUBLIC SCHOOL.

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NEW PUPILS admitted to the above  
School will be as follows:

IN THE UPPER SCHOOL, \$5 per month, or  
\$20 per Term.

IN THE LOWER SCHOOL, \$4 per month, or  
\$16 per Term.

This arrangement does not apply to Pupils  
already in the School.

The CHRISTMAS TERM commences on  
MONDAY, September 10th. Applications for  
Admission must be made to the Head Master,  
Swatow.

By Order of the Committee.

ALEX. FALCONER,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th August, 1887. [1600]

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG, 26th August, 1887. [1569]

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respectfully informed that if they  
arrive in this Harbor, none of the Company's  
Agents should be at hand, orders for repairs  
sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya

In Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found  
necessary, communication with the Undersigned  
is requested, when immediate steps will be taken  
to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th August, 1887. [135]

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Daily Press Office, January 1887.

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Hongkong, 15th August, 1887.

by the advantages and subsidy which the Government might offer. The San Francisco Chamber of Commerce also at a recent meeting passed a resolution, without one dissentient voice, requesting the U. S. Government to extend such inducements to capitalists as will secure the laying of a submarine cable from the Pacific coast of the Union to the Hawaiian Islands and Australia. It is generally admitted that a cable from San Francisco to Hawaii would never pay, and it is considered doubtful by some whether it would do so immediately even if continued to Australia. Some of the American papers, however, are disposed to support the proposal for a subsidy to the cable. The San Francisco Chronicle says it would not be consistent for Congress to subsidize such an enterprise, while refusing to extend aid to American shipbuilders and steamship lines. It goes on to remark, however: "But this Congress might do. It might furnish national aid to construct a line close to Australia, using the Sandwich Islands as a stepping-place, for such a line could certainly be made to pay. The importance of Australia in a business sense is constantly increasing, and although it is now connected with Europe by telegraph, the line suggested would have the advantage of running through a friendly country after emerging from the Pacific Ocean, and across a civilized country, neither of which advantages is possessed by the present line. It is not impossible that both Governments, England and America, might unite in lending a helping hand to such an enterprise as this, as it would be international in its character and of utility to both nations."

There could be no objection to this proposal, we think, unless it came from Canada, dictated by jealousy of the influence of the United States. In that case the Canadians must be prepared to pay the cost of obtaining a monopoly of the control, and their neighbours would no doubt be content to reap the advantages, caring little whether the cable was laid to Vancouver or San Francisco. If the cable cannot be laid except by joint action and at the joint cost of the two great Powers, it is to be hoped that they will soon come to an agreement on the matter and steps be taken to accomplish the work. It is evident, however, that the idea of laying a cable to Japan and China is not entertained in the United States. If this is to be done it must be done by Great Britain and Canada, whose interests are more directly involved. Should the cable to Australia be laid by the two Powers, a cable from Honolulu to Yokohama and Hongkong might be laid by the British to secure the advantages enumerated above. It would, of course, on many grounds, be preferable that the cable should be laid direct from Vancouver to Hongkong, stopping at Honolulu and Yokohama, and the Chinese here are endeavouring to make it out that they are, forsooth, entitled to a share in the profits. The Australian Colonies would probably be willing to vote subsidies to a cable that would place them in direct communication with Canada and the United States. Now that serious attention has been directed to the question it is to be hoped that the completion of the telegraphic circle round the earth will be effected within a measurable distance of time, to the end that commerce may be promoted and British power consolidated.

The Agents (Messrs. Adamson, Bell & Co.) inform us that the steamer *Tantallon* left Singapore on Friday for this port.

The *Alta California* says the Empress of Japan will visit the United States in October. It will be the first time that a reigning lady of that land has visited the outside world.

The *Mercury* says that the British barque *Woolf Castle* was sold on the 15th inst. by public auction by Messrs. Whebley & Co. at Shanghai for Rs. 2,600. The purchaser was a Chinaman.

The Portuguese gunboat *Rio Lima* arrived at Tientsin on the 5th instant, and was shortly expected to leave for a cruise round the coast of Japan. The places of intended call will include Kobe, Yokohama, Hakodate, etc.

A Japanese newspaper says that Murata to the number of 200 men, being managed by the master of Li Hung-chang, for use in the Naval College at Taku in the training of cadets. They are expected to be ready by November next.

The *Rising Sun* report that the purchasers of the wreck and cargo of the French steamer *Bover* have already exceeded in value the sum paid for it, and that the steamer, which had been damaged in the collision with the Japanese steamer, had agreed upon a Draft of Convention to arrange for the gradual suppression of Consular Jurisdiction within a certain time. This Draft, in its complete shape, was sent to the various European Governments in the month of April. Meanwhile, a Committee of six of the delegates completed a draft of a Commercial Treaty, which Japan agreed to, and which was submitted to the Home government on the 1st of May. In consequence of the differences of opinion which have lately arisen in the Imperial Cabinet, the Japanese now seem to prefer adjourning the Conference altogether, until they have time to complete the new Laws and Codes which are now in course of elaboration. Consequently, the Foreign Delegates, announcing that the Conference is adjourned sine die.

A Shanghai native paper says:—Tsumi tea to the amount of 1,200 cossots has accumulated at Amoy, but the chassees will not buy until they hear how the first shipments have sold in the United States. The losses of the native tea-men at Kinkang are estimated at Rs. 1,000. The Chinese have also suffered heavily from the foreign money for one reason—speculative trade. The Shensi tea-men have carried their complaints before the Imperial Commissioners, after vainly arguing with the Viceroy. They say if the growers' tax of 4 per cent. on the price is to be paid, it should be paid at that rate by the growers, and not vicariously by the teamen at 500 cash the pincot, which, at present prices, means 200 cash more than they deducted from the actual price.

Ordinance No. 15 of 1887, authorizing the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation to continue incorporated for the further term of twenty-one years, having received His Majesty's confirmation and assent by telegram, is published, is proclaimed in Saturday's *Gazette*.

A remarkable and somewhat unusual occurrence occurred on board the P. & O. steamer *Peking* at Shanghai on the 13th instant. The *Daily News* says:—The engines have been undergoing the usual overhaul, and in the course of this, four boys, not belonging to the ship but to Messrs. Boyd & Co., were set to scrape and clean and paint the inside of the superstructure. They had been three days engaged on this job, and reported it as done yesterday on Saturday the 13th inst. Another boy, who had been assisting with the duty, it was to inspect the job and pass it. Meanwhile the four cleaners remained in the superstructure, which proves that there cannot possibly have been an accumulation of gas in it; besides which every part of the engine and boiler has been open to the air for more than a week; in fact, ever since the steamer's arrival at the wharf. The boilermaker was despatched for a few hours to other business, and the boy who had come to assist him went back to the superstructure, and without waiting lowered the lamp which he carried, through the open man-hole into the superstructure, where the four boys were waiting for approval. Instantly there was an explosion from inside through the man-hole,—just one puff, as if the gunpowder loose on the ground had been accidentally lighted. The boy who had been assisting with the duty outside was severely burnt, but no damage was done to the machinery or the boy himself.

The boy was carried to the hospital, and the other three were successfully carried through the Japanease troupe again coming in for the lion's share of favour for their clever exhibition. A brilliant programme has been arranged for this evening, as per advertisement on our front page.

There is (says, the *Daily News*) something very touching in the letter conveyed to us by a man, though we may be inclined to smile at it, in the *Peking Gazette*, a late tutor in the Imperial Academy, for his final devotion in nursing his aged father in a long illness, and the dying of grief during the prescribed period of mourning. The canonization was performed by the State Historiographer's Office, a department of the Ministry of Revenue, which we are sure would be the most government officials in every other country, but in China.

The thermometer has on several occasions ranged rather high in this Colony, but we are told that it was not so high as the *China Daily News* of the 15th last says:—"The weather so far, hot as it is, has not yet reached this month the highest figure in July. The corrected maximum in the Settlement on Thursday was 96.2, and yesterday 96.4. At Siaowei it is hotter than in Shanghai, the maximum there on Thursday having been 93.4. The mean temperature of the last two days has been nearly 7 degrees above the average of the last 14 days."

Says the *Nagasaki Express* of the 10th inst.

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## EXTRACTS.

## THE PAPUAN TUMPLIES.

A DANDY OF NEW GUINEA.  
Here comes a swell in the most fashionable dress. His woolly hair is tied well back, and round it is a circle of bright red hibiscus flowers, backed by a coronet of beautiful feathers, and enlivened in front with a chain of white shells. On his forehead is a bracelet of shells; between the eyebrows a round shell, with a finely cut piece of tortoise-shell something like a large watch-wheel, and on each temple the same. In his nose is a large piece of round shell, and hanging from his ears are various fancy pieces of tortoise-shell. His face is one mass of red colour, and round his neck is a large necklace made of small shells, and hanging underneath are crescent-shaped pearl-shells and a large bone's tusk. On his arms are arm-sheaths and wrought amulets now howling guards, and round his wrist a large carved belt made from the bark of a tree and coloured red and white; his trousers consist of a narrow strip of native cloth of various colours, and ends hanging down in front, and under his knees and ankles are very nicely knitted garters and anklets. He feels himself handsome, and knows that he is now being admired.—"Pioneering in New Guinea."

## BUTTERMILK AS A DRINK.

A great physician once said that if every one knew the value of buttermilk as a drink it would be more freely partaken of by persons who drink so excessively of other beverages, and further compared its effects on the system to the cleaning out of a coat-store that has been clogged up with ashes that have sifted through, filling every crevice and crack, assuring that the human system is like the stove, and collects and gathers refuse matter that can in no way be exterminated from the system so effectually as by drinking buttermilk. It is also a remedy for indigestion, soothes and quietes the nerves, and is very salutary to those who are troubled with sleeplessness. Its medicinal properties cannot be overrated, and it should be freely used by all who can get it. Every one who values good health should drink buttermilk every day in warm weather, and let tea, coffee, and water alone. For the benefit of those who are not already aware of it, I may add that in the churning of it the first process of digestion is gone through, making it one of the easiest and quickest of all things to digest. It makes gastric juice, and contains properties that readily assimilate with it, with very little wear upon the digestive organs.—"Hall's Journal of Health."

## WHY BUTTONS WERE PUT ON THE SLEEVE.

Persons of observant turns of mind have noticed two or three buttons on the cuffs of military coats, but few know the origin and reason of this custom. They were first worn by soldiers in the English Army. The first uniform coats of the English Army had no buttons on the cuffs, and the soldiers used to draw the cuff of their coat across their nose and mouth on every occasion when a pocket-handkerchief or a napkin might have been called into requisition. As a matter of course, the cuff became shiny and discoloured. Punishment and reprimand were tried, but they did not stop this habit, and they suggested the buttons on the sleeve, which was adopted. They were first worn on top of the sleeve, but they have moved backward as the hand-knife-chief has moved forward. To-day the uniform coat of every nation has buttons on the sleeve or cuff, and the above is a true and authentic account of the origin of the custom. And it is with pride we announce that the first innovation on this custom is the new uniform coat for petty officers in the United States Navy, an evidence of progress that must be very gratifying to all patriotic Americans.—"Training Squadron Herald."

## CINDERELLA IN EGYPT.

Cinderella's real name, it seems, was Rhodope, and she was a beautiful Egyptian maiden, who lived 670 years before the common era, and during the reign of Ptolemy, one of the twelve Kings of Egypt. One day Rhodope ventured to go in bathing in a clear stream near her home, and mischievously left her shoes, which must have been unusually small, lying on the bank. An eagle, passing above, chanced to catch sight of the little sandals, and mistaking them for a toothsome tid-bit, pounced down and carried off one in his beak. The bird then unwittingly played the part of fairy godmother, for flying directly over Memphis, where King Ptolemy was dispensing justice, it lit by the shore right into the King's lap. Its size, beauty, and daintiness immediately attracted the royal eye, and the King, determined upon knowing the wearer of, examined a shoe sent throughout all his kingdom in search of the fact that would fit. As in the story of Cinderella, the messengers finally discovered Rhodope, fitted on the shoe, and carried her in triumph to Memphis, where she became the Queen of King Ptolemy and the foundation of the fairy tale that was to delight boys and girls 2,400 years later.—"Jewish Messenger."

## BONAPARTE'S WONDERFUL INFLUENCE OVER MEN.

All equality, all familiarity, freedom or companionship, died at his approach. When he had been appointed to command the Army of Italy, Admiral Decré, who had known him well at Paris—thinking that he was to pass through Toulon, offered to present all his colleagues. The Admiral says: "I ran, full of eagerness and delight, to greet him. The doors of the salon opened. I was going to spring toward him, when his attitude, too, took the sound of his voice, were sufficient to arrest me. There was nothing offensive or startling, but it was enough. After that I never tried to overstep the distance that he had placed between us."

Some days latter, at Albuera, the General of division, among the rest Augereau, a kind of heroic, rough old soldier, proud of his tall form and of his bravery, came to his quarters very badly disabled toward the little upstairs when they had sent to them from Paris. From the description given of him Augereau is insulting and insolent in advance. "A favorite of Barros," he says; "street General." They were educated, and Bonaparte makes them eat. If, apparently finally, girls or big sword, puts on his hat, explains his disposition, gives them his orders and dismisses them. Augereau had remained dumb. When they are outside, he first recovers himself, and finds again his customary oaths. He agrees with Massena, that "that little t— of a General frightened him." He is not able to understand "the ascendancy with which he fell himself crushed at the first glance."

Another specimen of this ascendancy on another old soldier of the Revolution, still rougher and more energetic than Augereau, is given in the experience of General Vandamme. In 1815 Vandamme said to Marshal Soult one day, as they were ascending together the steps of the Tuilleries: "My dear friend, that devil of a man (referring to the Emperor) exercises a fascination over me that I am unable to account for. It induces me to think that degree that I, who have never God nor devil, am ready to tremble like a child when he approaches. He could make me pass through the eye of a needle, to cast myself in the fire for him."—"Compositors for June."

## MAILS EXPECTED.

## THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer Bridgewater, with the English mail of the 22nd July, left Singapore on the 17th, and may be expected here at 5 p.m. on the 18th; and may be expected here on or about the 23rd instant.

## THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer Japan, with the Indian mail, left Singapore on the 19th, and may be expected here on or about the 24th instant.

## THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer Oceanic, with the American mail of the 3rd August, left San Francisco on the 2nd, and may be expected here on or about the 20th instant.

## STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Padam left Singapore on the afternoon of the 18th, and is due here on the 24th instant.

## The steamer Tintal left Singapore on the 19th, and is due here on or about the 25th instant.

## POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

When Correspondence has been missent or delayed (both of which are liable to happen occasionally) all that the addressee need do is to note on the cover: Sent to —, or Received at —, or, as the case may be, and forward it, without any other writing, whatever it is to the Postmaster-General. This should be acted on in the first time of complaint occurs; for, if a mistake is made, it is a mistake that generally gives more trouble in the end.

LOCAL DELIVERY.—No delivery is attempted on board ship at the Peak, Kowloon, Aberdeen, &c., nor at any private house (over though named in the address) when there is a place of business nearer, at which delivery can be effected.

The Postal Guide for 1886, revised to date will be found in the Daily Press Directory, p. 385 last edition, p. 701 small edition. This is the only authorized complete Summary of Postal information published in Hongkong.

The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is always corrected to a much later hour than that given below.

## A MAIL WITH CLOSE.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per Shantung, the 22nd inst., at 11.30 a.m.

For Amoy and Tamsui.—Per Formosa, to-day, the 22nd inst., at 2.30 p.m.

For Bangkok.—Per Triton to-day, the 22nd inst., at 4.30 p.m.

For Saigon.—Per Galley, to-day, the 22nd inst., at 4.30 p.m.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per Hainan, the 23rd inst., at 11.30 a.m.

For Foochow, Tamsui, and Tsinling.—Per Formosa, to-morrow, the 23rd inst., at 2.30 p.m.

For Amoy, and Tamsui.—Per China, to-morrow, the 23rd inst., at 2.30 p.m.

For Singapore.—Per Triton to-morrow, the 23rd inst., at 3.30 p.m.

For Higo and Yokohama.—Per Gisland, on Thursday, the 25th inst., at 4.00 p.m.

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